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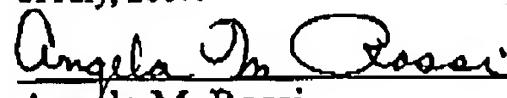
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 9, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.